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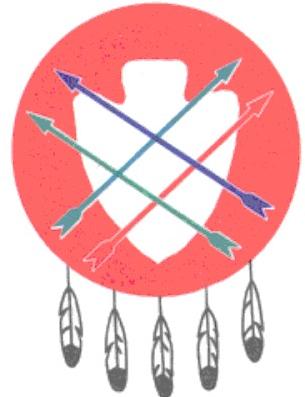
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Chief's Message

The summer is winding down and the school year has started for many of our students. We wish all of our youth a very successful school year. I would like to remind all of the parents of student's kindergarten through twelfth grade to collect the receipts for school related expenses and send them to Mandie Ferguson for our School Supply Reimbursement Program. All of you college students should have already received your scholarship checks, if not please call Mandie to see what is needed for the Tribe to process your payment.

The Peoria Tribe has several projects that will be completed this fall. The Peoria Cemetery parking lot is currently being paved, along with fencing improvements. The Peoria Ridge sewer project will be concluded and turned over to the City of Miami in the next couple of weeks, and the Buffalo Run Hotel remodel project is scheduled to begin in the very near future.

I would like to extend our deepest sympathy for the loss of two great tribal members during these past summer months. Former Chief Don Giles passed away in July after a lengthy battle with cancer, and Kathleen Hamilton passed away last month. Both individuals were very active tribal members and attended almost every Annual Peoria Tribal Council Meeting. Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, if you are in the area, we welcome you to stop by the office for a cup of coffee, our doors are open for a visit.

John P. Froman, Chief

Elder Care and Disability Reimbursement Program

Below is the program description and the application can be found on page 4. You may also review the policies and procedures on the tribal website, or contact the office to receive a copy. If you have any questions feel free to contact Logan Pappenfort at 918-540-2535 Ext. 31 at the Peoria Tribal office.

Program Description

The Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma has established a program to aid the elderly population that could benefit from an additional funding source to supplement their households, and/or disability needs, without restricting or interfering with other government programs.

The Elder Care and Disability Reimbursement Program (ECDRP) will make available up to \$500 per fiscal year (April 1st- March 31st) for eligible tribal members. Each eligible tribal member may only choose from one program to receive reimbursement, being limited to 3 requests for services per fiscal year, not to exceed maximum total of \$500. All denied benefits will be reviewed by a 3 person Review Committee comprised of the Chief and 2 accounting staff members. Individuals will not be permitted to receive benefits as both “elderly” and “disabled.”

Applicants may only utilize one program.

Qualifications Criteria:

- ◆ Individual must be a **current enrolled living member** of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, evidenced by Tribal Enrollment Card to receive benefits.
- ◆ Eligible tribal member must be **65 years or older**, evidenced by a Photo I.D. to receive benefits.
- ◆ Eligible **adult** tribal member must provide an award letter or benefit statement from the Social Security Administration (dated within last 90 days), to receive disability benefits. **No other proof of disability will be accepted.**
- ◆ Minors or other disabled individuals already receiving Disability Social Security or SSI benefits payable to a representative payee, will be eligible for tribal reimbursement program. All payments will be made to the **representative payee** as designated on SSI records. **Minors not receiving SSI benefits must have documentation of state or federal Determination of Disability to receive reimbursement.**

Eligibility for Reimbursement:

- ◆ An approved application **signed by applicant or legal representative** must be on file. A new application is to be submitted each fiscal year.
- ◆ Submission date of the application will be the date the application is received at the Tribal office.
- ◆ **ORIGINAL RECEIPT(s) (not copies)** must be sent to the tribal office, and be dated within the fiscal year of application date.
- ◆ All receipts must come from the vendor or service provider, contain the vendor's contact information, and a detailed summary of product(s) and services.
- ◆ Eligibility for both programs cease upon tribal members death.

Eligible Expenses:**Insurance and Taxes:**

- ◆ Life Insurance
- ◆ Home Owner's Insurance
- ◆ Automotive Insurance
- ◆ Healthcare Insurance
- ◆ Personal Content Insurance for renters
- ◆ Property Tax

Note: ALL insurance/proof of ownership of property must be in the name of the eligible tribal member to qualify for payment.

Utilities:

- ◆ Electric
- ◆ Natural gas
- ◆ Propane
- ◆ Water
- ◆ Trash services
- ◆ Telephone services

Note: ALL utilities must be in the name of the eligible tribal member to qualify for payment.

Health Care Expense:

- ◆ Prescription eye glasses
- ◆ Dentures
- ◆ Medical Alert Service
- ◆ Prescription medication
- ◆ Health care deductibles
- ◆ Physician prescribed ambulatory product (wheelchair, cane, walker)
- ◆ Hearing aids
- ◆ Miscellaneous items prescribed by a physician

Note: ALL prescriptions and deductibles must be in the name of the eligible tribal member to qualify for payment.

**Special Projects/ NAGPRA
Greetings Tribal Members,**

The Peoria Tribe has applied for the Cultural Resource Fund (CRF) through the Mica group, whom administer the funds which the Federal Communications Commission and seven Class I freight rail companies created to address issues relating to Positive Train Control (PTC) Poles erected prior to May 31, 2013. This grant will help to keep the Peoria Schoolhouse maintained and in good general upkeep throughout the year for any kinds of situations which may arise in the future.

Indiana University has submitted a draft notice of inventory completion in regards to three Peoria affiliated collections which will take a few months to come back so that we may move forward with repatriation. Other Native American Graves Repatriation and Protection Act work continues and consultation requests for unaffiliated items are being processed during this time.

On August 25th and 26th the Indiana department of transportation and the Federal Highway Administration will have an Tribal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Workshop in an attempt to develop a memorandum between the government agencies in Indiana as well as the tribes which hold an interest in the lands of Indiana. This effort to work hand in hand with the tribes to establish beneficial working relationships is wholeheartedly appreciated and will make working together on future projects much more rewarding.

Respectfully,

Logan Pappenfort



**Application
Elder Care & Disability Reimbursement Program
PO Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355
918-540-2535**

Tribal Member Name: _____

Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code

Phone Number: _____

(Only 3 applications will be accepted per tribal member per fiscal year)

Tribal Roll #: _____
(Attach copy of membership card)

Birth date: _____

Program Applying for: (check one)

Elder Care: _____ **Disability:** _____

Total of attached receipts: \$ _____

MUST BE ATTACHED: (check list below)

- Copy of Tribal Membership Card
- Copy of Photo I.D.
- Original Receipts of Purchases for items or services (stated in guidelines)

Disability applicants will also need:

- Award Letter, Benefit Statement or Determination of Disability documentation.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Date Received: _____ Membership confirmed: _____ Reimbursement Requisition _____ Check mailed _____

PEORIA TRIBE SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS		
June 30, 2015		
ACTIVITY	TOTAL	
114 ACRES AT WYANDOTTE		\$5,627.40
PEORIA DESCENDANTS	PRINCIPAL 0	10,984.57
	INTEREST 10,984.57	
EDUCATION (Transfer)		807.22
EDUCATION	PRINCIPAL 176,850.16	274,161.18
	INTEREST 97,311.02	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	PRINCIPAL 172,150.95	260,367.46
	INTEREST 88,216.51	
LAND ACQUISITION	PRINCIPAL 172,150.95	260,424.36
	INTEREST 88,273.41	
BURIAL	PRINCIPAL 57,386.81	88,573.70
	INTEREST 31,186.89	
TRIBAL GOVT	PRINCIPAL 571,591.85	942,197.94
	INTEREST 370,606.09	
LEGAL	PRINCIPAL 57,386.81	89,731.97
	INTEREST 32,345.16	
TOTAL		1,932,875.80
SUMMARY		
OVERNIGHTER (U.S. TREASURY)		47,875.80
INVESTMENTS		1,885,000.00
TOTAL		1,932,875.80

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma Unaudited Summary Expenditure Budget Report As of 6/30/2015 (In Whole Dollars) <u>Open FY 2016 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total
Indian Child Welfare	83,964.00	47,069	36,895
Title VI	102,560.00	87,269	15,291
Indirect Cost Pool	470,655	93,977	376,678
Tribal Properties	371,134	7,131	364,003
Trading Post	7,578	1,046	* 6,532
Children's Christmas Special Revenue Fund	13,176	123	13,053
Gaming Commission	435,500	79,606	355,894
Cemetery Special Revenue Fund	9,066	940	8,126
Pow Wow Fund*	33,216	9,153	24,063
Tribal Fish Hatchery	176,667	43,102	133,565
Elder Care/Disability Program	225,000	8,160	216,840
Education/Activity 2617	1,254,000	15,729	1,238,271
Economic Development / Activity 2614	150,000	-	150,000
Land Acquisition/Activity	100,000	157,174	(57,174)
Burial / Activity 2617	190,000	47,388	142,612
Tribal Government / Activity 2621	573,290	27,725	545,565
Legal Fees / Activity 2627	25,000	525	24,475
Totals FY 2016	4,220,806	# 626,115	3,594,690
<u>Open FY 2015 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total
Aid to Tribal Government	245,821.00	0	245,821
Higher Education Grant	54,286.00	25,660	
Damage Assessment Project	37,330.00	30,830	6,500
IRR	0.00	2,330	
Title IV B	8,674.00		
Child Care Program	796,778.00		
Community Health Representative	52,761.00	35,927	
Library	6,000.00	6,000	
Water Quality Program	145,294.00	36,933	
Promoting Safe & Stable Families	13,707.00	0	
Mussel Survey	0.00	12,680	
Totals FY 2015	1,360,651	# 150,359	252,321
<u>Open FY 2014 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total
Aid to Tribal Government	238,208.00	15979.71	222,228
Damage Assessment Project	52,225.00	50,177	2,048
Noxious Weeds	12,530.00	7,155	
Fish Hatchery Maintenance	404,000.00	290,718	113,282
Title IV B	8,674.00	4,762	3,912
Child Care Program	797,081.00	749,747	47,334
Water Non Point Source Base	84,549	30,195	54,354
Promoting Safe & Stable Families	14,381	6,784	7,597
IHS Solid Waste Project	167,000	125,614	41,386
Totals FY 2014	1,778,648	1,281,133	492,140
<u>Open FY 2013 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total
Aid to Tribal Government	239,449.22	237,556.20	1,893
GAP	246,250.00	213,459	32,791
Totals FY 2013	485,699	451,015	34,684
<u>Open FY 2012 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently	Actual	Total
Non Point Source Golf Course	356,796.00	335,919	20,877
Totals FY 2012	356,796	335,919	20,877
<u>Open FY 2008 Programs</u>			
Account Title	Currently Budgeted	Actual Cumulative Expenditures	Total Budget Remaining
Housing Improvement Program Contract	25,069	15,839	9,230
Totals FY 2008	25,069	15,839	9,230

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Tribal Member Reimbursement Program For School Supplies/School Clothes

Program Description

The Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma has established a program for reimbursement of school supplies or clothes for members of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma who are currently enrolled in grades K through 12. This will be an annual program subject to budget approval each year by the Peoria Tribal Business Committee.

The maximum amount per eligible student per school year is \$500. Reimbursements will be made in accordance with the following Guidelines and made payable to the parent/guardian submitting the application. Reimbursement checks will be mailed to the address as listed on the application.

Examples of costs allowable for reimbursement under this program include paper, pencils, notebooks, backpacks, shoes, clothes, school uniforms, lab fees, activity fees, summer school fees, or other fees charged by the school system. All costs must be itemized on a printed receipt and submitted with the Program Application. All submitted receipts for the school year 2015-16 must be dated between May 1, 2015-May 31, 2016. Any receipts submitted not falling between these dates will be returned.

All applications for reimbursements must be submitted to the Education Director at the Peoria Tribal Office. **Only one application will be accepted per student per period. Each student can only be reimbursed 3 times per calendar year not to exceed the \$500 maximum.**

PERIOD	PERIOD DEADLINE
Period 1 – July 1 st through July 31 st	July 31 st
Period 2 – August 1 st through August 30 th	August 30 th
Period 3 – September 3 rd through September 30 th	September 30 th
Period 4 – October 1 st through October 31 st	October 31 st
Period 5 – November 1 st through November 30 th	November 30 th
Period 6 – December 1 st through December 31 st	December 31 st
Period 7 – January 1, 2015 through January 31, 2015	January 31, 2015
Period 8 – February 1 st through February 28 th	February 28 th
Period 9 - March 1 st through March 31 st	March 31 st
Period 10 – April 1 st through April 30 th	April 30 th
Period 11 - May 1 st through May 31 st	May 30 th
Period 12 - June 1 st through June 30 th	June 30 th

Applications must be received by the deadline date to be processed for that period.
Any incomplete applications or postage due applications will not be accepted and will be returned for your completion.

Guidelines

- Student must be an enrolled member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.
- Must provide with application a copy of the student's tribal membership card.
- Student must be currently enrolled in grades K-12.
- Must provide original letter on official letterhead from school certifying the student's enrollment for current school year.
- Must provide original receipts for purchases showing description of items purchased, and cost per item.
- The maximum annual amount to be reimbursed per student is \$500 and will be made payable to the parent/guardian submitting the Program Application.

**Application Tribal Member Reimbursement Program
For School Supplies/School Clothes
Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
PO Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355
918-540-2535**

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____
City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number: _____

Student's Name: _____
Please print: _____ First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

(Only one application will be accepted per student per period)

Student's Tribal Roll #: _____ Birth date: _____
(Attach copy of students membership card)

School Attending: _____
(Attach original certification of enrollment from school)

Grade: _____ Age: _____ Total of attached receipts: \$ _____

MUST BE ATTACHED: (check list below)

- Copy of Tribal Membership Card
- Original Certification of School Enrollment
- Original Receipts of Purchases for School Supplies/Clothes

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Period Received: _____ Date Received: _____

Membership Confirmed: _____ Check Mailed: _____

FROM THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE

Is your State Certified Birth Certificate on file in the Enrollment Office?

The Enrollment Office is continuing to update all tribal membership files. Many members have already sent in their state certified birth certificates. To comply with Federal guidelines and be eligible for a CDIB card, issued through the BIA, a state certified birth certificate is required. Reminder; state certified birth certificates must show, state file number, state seal, state registrars signature and parentage. If you are unsure if you have a state birth certificate on file please call the Enrollment Office. If you need assistance in acquiring one please contact State Vital Records Department in the state you were born and they will assist you in how you can acquire one.

Is your name updated in your membership file?

The Enrollment Office will be glad to assist any member who needs to have their name changed. If your name has changed please update your file to your current legal name. Please bring or send in your legal documentation (such as marriage license, court order, etc.) and the name change process can begin. If you are receiving the tribal newsletter with a previous name listed on the address label, please call the Enrollment Office for assistance or send your legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, court order, etc.) so the name change process can begin. It has been observed, the postal service has been returning newsletters and other miscellaneous correspondence sent from the Tribe if a persons name does not match their postal record. The process to update your name is not an immediate event. Please update your name before a need arises as the process takes the same amount of time whether there is a need or a want for a name change.

Missing or Change of Address

We still have several members (787) listed on the whereabouts unknown list. Any and all help is appreciated in finding these members. Several members have contacted the office with an update of family members. When the Enrollment Office receives a telephonic or electronic address change, the Enrollment Office will send a change of address form to the missing member with a request for completing the change of address form. Once the Enrollment Office receives the original, signed, completed form, the address is updated and the form is placed in the members file for accuracy. The Enrollment Office must have written permission from the tribal member, over the age of 18, or the legal custodial parent, for members under 18, on file for address changes. If you know someone who has moved or a tribal member household that is not receiving a newsletter please have them contact the Enrollment Office. If you would like to send the address form to them for their completion and return or an individual can download the form from the Peoria Tribe website www.peoriatribes.com a person should; go to Programs, then to Enrollment. Under the Enrollment section there will be a change of address form highlighted in red, open the form, print the form out, have the individual (of over 18) or legal custodial parent (if under 18) to sign and return to the Enrollment Office.

For your convenience, a change of address form has been placed in the newsletter. The address for returning the form is:

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
 Attn: Enrollment Office
 PO Box 1527
 Miami OK 74355

Thank you to all who have and will assist in this ongoing endeavor. All help is valued.

Enrollment Ordinance Reminders

The Enrollment Office receives calls with requests for help or general enrollment information. To help members, listed below are a few reminders of the Enrollment Ordinance, which was revised and approved March 23, 2002. Below are sections of the Enrollment Ordinance of which the questions or information are typically asked.

Section 2. Dual enrollment with another Federally recognized tribe is prohibited and such prohibition shall be strictly applied; an enrolled member of another tribe shall not be eligible for membership with the Peoria Tribe. If a member of another tribe wishes to become a member of the Peoria Tribe, they must first relinquish all membership with other Federally recognized tribes.

Section 8. Each enrollment application must be completed in its entirety and must contain sufficient information to determine the applicant's eligibility for enrollment. Applicants must list the following on enrollment applications: all names by which the applicant has been known, applicant's current mailing address, name and notarized affidavit confirming applicant is not enrolled with any other Federally recognized tribe, and signature of the applicant or signature of the person filing the application on behalf of the applicant.

Section 9. Applications for enrollment must be accompanied with a State certified birth certificate. Applications received without a State certified birth certificate will not be processed. The following must be visible on State certified birth certificates:

State Seal
 State File number
 State Registrar's signature

State certified birth certificates must also be recorded with the State Vital Records Division of the state of birth. The following documents are not acceptable when accompanied with enrollment applications:

Hospital birth certificates
 Baptismal certificate (even when parents' names are shown)
 Heirship records
 County abstracts

Approval of birth certificates issued by foreign nations or other highest-ranking governmental sub-division with jurisdiction to issue birth certificates will be at the discretion of the Enrollment Committee.

Section 18. Changes to active membership records, such as name changes due to marriage or divorce, must be made by legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, divorce decree, court order, etc.). Active members with change of addresses and other status information must notify the Enrollment Office at P.O. Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355 or by telephone at 918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987. Maintenance and accuracy of membership record data is the sole responsibility of each tribal member. Each tribal member is personally accountable for correct membership record information (i.e. contact information and/or name changes). The Tribal Enrollment Office will review changes to membership records to be forwarded to the Enrollment Committee; the Enrollment Committee shall certify its recommendation of approval to be approved by the Peoria Business Committee. Changes to membership records must ultimately be passed by resolution from the Business Committee and submitted to the Miami Area Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

If I can be of any assistance please call (918) 540-2535 or (800) 259-9987.

Submitted by,

Donna Harp, Enrollment Clerk

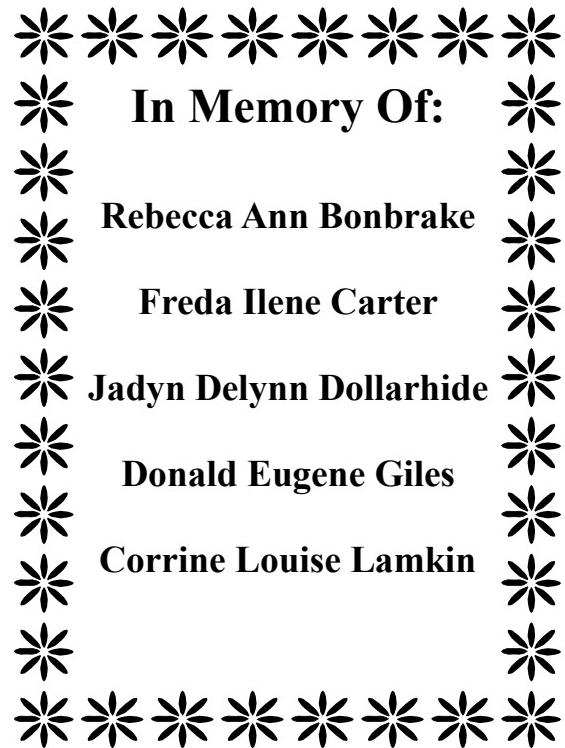
Tribal Member Reimbursement Program For School Supplies/School Clothes

I mailed out 570 applications to all tribal members ages 5-19 on July 7, 2014 for the school year 2014-15. 21 applications were received. A total of \$5,892.70 was reimbursed to the tribal members for the 11th period.

June 31, 2015, closed out the school year 2014-15. A total of 394 applications were received and processed. A total of \$182,204.41 was reimbursed to the tribal members for the school year 2014-15.

I mailed out 556 applications to all tribal members ages 5-19 on July 1, 2015 for the school year 2015-16.

Mandie Ferguson
Education Director



Request for Change of Address

Date: _____

Tribal Member:

(First Name) _____

(Middle Name) _____

(Maiden Name/Last Name) _____

DOB: _____

(Social Security Number) _____

Roll No. _____

New Address:

Address _____

Old Address:

Address _____

City State Zip _____

City State Zip _____

Home Phone _____

E-mail _____

Signature of applicant

Please list all tribal members of household who will need to have address changed:

(Name) _____ (Date of Birth) _____ (SSN) _____

Christmas Party 2015

All Peoria Tribal members are invited to attend the 2015 Peoria Children's Christmas Party. The party will be held at the OTTAWA/PEORIA CULTURAL CENTER on Saturday, December 12, 2015, between 1:00pm – 3:00pm

We will have entertainment and refreshments. Santa will arrive at 2:00 to distribute gifts to pre-registered Peoria children. In October registration letters will be mailed to parents of Peoria children under the age of thirteen, residing within a 90 mile radius of Miami, OK. If you live outside this area and are planning to attend the party, please call the office and let Mandie know.

The invites will go out on October 14, 2015, if you do not receive a registration letter and your child plans to attend the Christmas party, please notify me as soon as possible at the Peoria Tribal office at 1-918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987, I can be reached at extension 10. There will be door prizes for our tribal elders, so bring your ENTIRE family.

Please plan to attend the Peoria Children's Christmas Party!
Financial donations to the Christmas Party fund are always appreciated.

Mandie Ferguson – Christmas Party Coordinator



Buffalo Run Casino & Resort welcomed golf professionals for the Adams Pro Tour August 10th-15th

Pictured L-R: Adam's Tournament Director Kris Neal, Tournament Winner Chris Naegel, Chief Froman, Tournament Director Annette Black, Buffalo Run Casino & Resort General Manager, Steve Bashore (back row).



Tribal member P.J. Attocknie was recently awarded a full-tuition transfer scholarship by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Attocknie plans to transfer into the University's online Earth, Society and Environmental Sustainability program and pursue a career in tribal leadership.

Last August, Chief Froman invited NEO to enter into a triangular partnership with the University and Tribe, based upon his belief that the College has proven successful in meeting the needs of American Indian students.

Up to five scholarships will be awarded annually in future years, and the University plans to actively recruit students from NEO.



Above: Pictured are buildings used to house all equipment needed to raise our fish. We have 12 indoor raceways where we pellet train and keep our fingerlings in order to sell them.



Above: Fish sales is one of the main goals set by the Peoria Tribes Environmental Department. Environmental Specialists Justin Downs (left) and Kyle Foster (right) are pictured with one of their first customers, who was excited to purchase both Smallmouth and Largemouth bass for his pond.



Left: Aerial view of the Peoria Tribal Fish Hatchery.

This picture was taken while filling ponds for brood stock to enter the ponds for the spawning period.

The Peoria Tribal Fish Hatchery is located on the same property as the Peoria Tribal Cemetery.

CCDF Program

STOP YELLING — TO GET YOUR KIDS TO LISTEN

Did you know that you can **stop yelling to get your kids to listen?** They will even start telling you more and really talking to you. **Why?** Rules were set in place from Day One. If they broke a rule, they lost a privilege. The same principle stands in the ‘regular’ world. If our kids break a rule, they lose a privilege – maybe electronics or a play date. The idea is to let them take ownership is a real way to help them achieve success and desire to do so. THIS WILL WORK IN YOUR HOME, TOO. You aren’t yelling – you are letting your child take part in what happens and the consequences speak for themselves.

Now let’s talk about what DOES NOT WORK: yelling.

Yelling stems from loss of control. It happens to most of us at some point. Yelling stems from irritation and frustration. Talking to your kids, in a calm manner, will get you SO much further than yelling. It will let you have a relationship with back and forth conversation. Here are some questions to ask yourself: What is it the causes you to yell?

- Toys being left out?
- Shoes on in the house?
- Repeatedly asking them to clean their rooms?

When this feeling to yell arises, try these suggestions instead:

1- Remember that if you yell- they will yell. “Monkey see, Monkey do.”

If you want to see your child lose control in frustrating situations, you just have to do it yourself. If you want to see your child remain calm and collected and face a problem like an adult- you have to do it.

2. Whisper to get their attention.

Crazy, right?! I used to do this ALL THE TIME when I taught. When the kids would become too loud, I didn’t want to yell over their voices, so I would whisper. I do this now, as a mom. It causes them to stop whatever they are doing to REALLY LISTEN to what you have to say. It makes everyone a little calmer.

3- Let their natural consequences speak for themselves.

If a toy is lost or broken because it was left out, don’t replace it. If they don’t get to go outside because they didn’t do chores, don’t “give in”. Remember- the rules are made and you don’t have to bend them. Don’t even let anyone know that this CAN be done.

One time, we ate in a different room of the house and our son asked me “Mom- are you sure we can do this? I don’t think we should be eating in this room.” They had no idea that I set the rule up in the first place, because it was just never questioned.

4- They are children.

Remember this and then remember it again. They are a child. Try to remember back to when you were a child. Our decisions as a child are not always good ones and we need to use all of these moments as teachable moments.

5- Don’t worry about “The Jones’”

I see and hear parents all of the time that will say “I just wish that I was more like ____” but you need to remember that everyone has their struggles. No one’s life is as perfect as they show on Facebook. Seriously. We all lose our tempers at some point (which brings us to #6)

6- Just say “I’m Sorry”

If I feel like I stepped out of line and the punishment didn’t fit the crime (example: Lose electronics for a week because they didn’t make their bed today) I will just say “I’m sorry. I went overboard today. I shouldn’t have yelled like that. I thought about it, talked to Daddy, and we decided that two days is plenty, but you also have to do an extra chore today to make up for the one that I had to do for you.”

7- Talk TO your child, not AT your child.

As I was stating above, the best thing that you can do for your child is to sit down and talk to them. It makes a difference once your child is old enough. If I can just talk to our kids and say “The way that you are acting is making me really sad. I just don’t understand why you would do that. What should I do about it if this happens again? Do you think I should have you write an apology note to your brother? Or maybe you should do one of his chores? I always think of you as being such a sweet boy and I just can’t imagine that you would intentionally hurt his feelings. Is something else going on? Can you please try to work on being the nice boy that I know you are?” (a little reverse phycology doesn’t hurt, either!)

Yelling is not a TERRIBLE thing, so don’t feel bad right now if you are reading this and think “Oh no. I yelled today.” The reason I say this is that I don’t want our kids to never hear any yelling or voice raising, **because then when they do hear it from a coach or something and they are very scared or nervous from it**, that isn’t a good thing! I do, however, want it to be limited.

As my mom says: “When you know better... you do better.” **July 7, 2015 By Becky (Your Modern Family)**

ARE YOUR KIDS “ZONING OUT” WHEN YOU TALK?

1. State only what needs to be done.

Instead of: “You are being so messy! Your shoes are all over the floor! Who do you think is going to come over and clean them up?”
Try: “Shoes belong in the basket, please.”

2. Talk less.

Instead of: “You need to wear your coat today, because it is cold and we wear them in the cold. You know this already.” *Try:* “COAT”

3. Start with “when you”

Instead of “*If you* get your coat on, we will leave” Try: “*When you* get your coat on, we will leave.” This lets your child know that you are expecting him/her to put their coat on and they are going to rise to meet that expectation.

4. Try YES in place of NO without changing your rules.

Instead of: “No! You can’t go to her house to play. You only did one question from your homework, even after I told you to do the whole page.” *Try:* “Sure! Just show me your whole page of homework so I can check it before you go.”

5. Compliment them.

When they listen to you, give a simple compliment. Yesterday I told all four of the kids “head upstairs for bath time” and only one son went upstairs the first time. When he later went into his room, he found his iPod on his bed, with a note that said “5 minutes of iPod time before bed, for listening when I asked you to go upstairs.” His brothers heard him say “AWESOME!” and came to see the reason. When they saw, they said “Oh man! We should have come up faster. Next time I am going to do it.” Ps- I would happily give out 5 minutes of screen-time for good behavior during bath/bedtime, because that is certainly our most hectic time of the day. Plus, having each of them in their own beds playing for a few minutes allows me to put our two year old to bed quietly, knowing that they are safe and waiting for me.

6- Change their behavior without yelling.

I tell the parents, that I see for work, that yelling is **not** the answer. You can change their behavior through so many other avenues of parenting. Maybe a tight hug from behind will be enough of a distraction and provide enough sensory stimulation to have them change their attitude. Maybe a quick walk outside with the kids is all that they need to stop the negative behavior. Try sitting down with them to read a book, when you feel so angry that you want to yell. Oftentimes, their negative behavior comes from lack of time with you, so try to do something (other than yelling) to combat that.

7- Give consequences that happen now.

Think of a dog for a minute- when they have an accident in the house, we don’t clean it up and then an hour later tell them “No peeing in the house!” We do it then & there. A child (people, in general) are really not much different in that aspect. If they are misbehaving, a consequence of “tomorrow you will not go to your friend’s house” will not be understood as much as you saying “Give me that toy, right now. You have lost it because you were talking mean. I’m sad that you decided to talk that way and lose your turn with the toy.” (note: now you are telling them that THEY picked to lose the toy with their actions).

8- When you give a consequence, make it fit the crime.

We tell our kids things for a reason “Don’t play with the Christmas tree or you could break the ornaments.” So then if they play with the tree and an ornament falls off and breaks, we saw it coming. Instead of yelling, like you may want to do, you could tend to the mess (with the child’s help) and then talk to the older child: “Do you remember when I told you not to play with the tree? Why would I tell you that? So then you can see how you broke something by not listening? Now I am going to need you to do more chores, to earn \$5 to pay me back for the ornament.” Explaining things to your child will go a long way, too.

9. Read between the lines.

When our kids misbehave, it usually boils down to one of two things:

A- Screen time (too much screen time usually causes misbehavior. We have one of our “No technology weeks” (sometimes two weeks in a row... like right now in our house) and it changes their attitudes. I love it! By day three, they have stopped asking if they can play on their iPods or watch their favorite YouTube shows (which is normally one about Minecraft)

B- Not enough one on one time. When one of our kids needs attention, they show us in many ways. Acting up is just one of them. An hour game of two-person catch is usually the perfect solution.

10. Talk about it... again.

When we tuck our kids in at night, we always go over things. “Today, you said “No” when I told you to pick up your toys. I know that you did it when I asked a second time, but I never want to have to do that again. When I ask you to do something, it is for good reason and I was upset that you talked back to me that way. Do you understand?” etc...

Our kids really all need to be heard, but to be spoken to in a kind way. They don’t want to be yelled at any more than we want to be yelled at. *August 1, 2015 By Becky (Your Modern Family)*

ITEM DESCRIPTION	PRICE
Peoria History Book	\$20.00
Miami/Peoria Dictionary	\$7.00
Myaamia & Peoria Narratives & Winter Stories	\$4.00
History of Illinois Indians DVD	\$29.95
Youth T-Shirts (please see list of available sizes)	\$8.00
Adults T-Shirts (please see list of available sizes)	\$10.00 plus sizes add \$2
Youth black long sleeved T-Shirts (please see list of available sizes)	\$12.00
Adults black long sleeved T-Shirts (please see list of available sizes)	\$\$15.00 plus sizes add \$2
Youth Hoodies (please see list of available sizes)	\$16.00
Adults Hoodies (please see list of available sizes)	\$18.00 plus sizes add \$2
Insulated Mugs	\$5.00/Each or 2/\$9.00
Ceramic Coffee Mugs (please see list of available colors)	\$5.00/Each or 2/\$9.00
Tribal Caps (please see list of available colors)	\$12.00
License Plates (Novelty)	\$ 6.00
Blankets (please see list of available colors)	\$20.00
Beaded Earrings & Bracelets (please contact office for more details & availability)	\$8.00 - \$12.00
Beaded Necklaces Sets (please contact office for more details & availability)	\$35.00
Shawls (please contact office for more details & availability)	\$15.00 - \$50.00

Blanket colors	
Black	Forest Green
Royal Blue	Charcoal Gray
Red	

Ball Cap Colors	
Black	Navy
Dark Green	Tan
Maroon	Charcoal Gray

Coffee Mug Colors
Black
Dark Green
Wedgewood Blue
Yellow
Purple
Pink

SIZES AVAILABLE	
T-shirts	Hoodies
Youth sizes:	Youth sizes:
12 & 24 mos	
2T/ 3T/ X-Sm/Y Med/Y Lg	2T/ 3T/ Med/ Lg
Adult Sizes:	Adult Sizes:
Sm/ Med/ Lg/ XL/ Plus Size: XXL/ XXXL	Sm/ Med/ Lg/ XL/ Plus Size: XXL



TRADING POST ORDER FORM

Order information:

DATE:

Phone: 918-540-2535

Email: mferguson@peoriatrib.com – Please email with any questions you might have.

Fax: 918-540-2538

Mail: Send this form to **Peoria Tribe**
Attn: Trading Post
PO Box 1527
Miami, OK 74355

Shipping for orders \$75 or less is \$7.50

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Child Care Development Fund Program

The child care program is funded through the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). This program is to provide childcare services and activities. The qualifications for the program are:

- There will always be a co-pay per child per month for each family.
- Live within 100 miles of the Peoria Tribal Office in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, or Oklahoma.
- There must be an Indian in the household.
- Be under 13 years of age; or be under age 19 and physically or mentally incapable of caring for themselves; or under court supervision.
- Reside with a family whose income does not exceed the maximum net income level. there will be some deductions considered. Income level does not apply to the children that are physically or mentally incapable of caring for themselves.
- Co-pay **example**: Monthly net income of \$4,054.00 for a family of four, the co-pay would be \$105.00 per child per month. Every family will have a co-pay.
- Reside with a parent, parents or guardian who are gainfully employed or attending a job training or educational program; or receive, or need to receive, protective services.
- Adult must be at work or in class in order for the CCDF Program to assist with child care.

Indian Child Welfare

Indian Child Welfare services for the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma are available to all enrolled tribal members and, in most cases, to those who are eligible for enrollment.

The Indian Child Welfare Program (ICWP) is located in the Programs Office building. If you should need our services, please feel free to contact us there. The office number is 918-540-2535. You can ask for Doug Journeycake, Director, (Ext. 19 or Cell 918-540-4370).

Lack of Tribal Foster Homes is still an issue for the Tribes. If you are interested in becoming a Tribal Foster Home and want to open your heart and home to children in need, contact the ICWP now. You can give children a chance to have a new and better life. There are many rewards of being a foster parent as well as the wonderful results for the Tribe's children. The process is relatively simple, you fill out an application, and we will do a thorough Federal and State background check on anyone over 18 years of age living in the home. We will require you to provide four personal references that the Indian Child Welfare Program (ICWP) will contact, and then the Indian Child Welfare Director or his designated representative will do a home visit in your home. Once that process is completed, the Indian Child Welfare Program will license your home as a tribal foster home. Additionally, the Department of Human Services (DHS) has a critical need for tribal foster homes to provide homes for Indian Children in state custody.

The Tribe is fortunate that it has very few ICW cases. Tribal members should be proud of themselves and their family members, as this sets a standard that is hard to meet by the other Tribes in the area.

Doug Journeycake, Director
Indian Child Welfare

EDUCATION

The education committee met August 5, 2015, 5:00pm. 3 members were in attendance, Alan Goforth and Donna Fitzgibbon and Sadie Detherage. It was the decision of the committee to fund 74 renewal students, 24 new students, 10 part-time students, 13 graduate program students, and 7 part-time graduate program students. Letters were mailed to 26 students requesting addition information. It was also the decision of the committee to not fund 8 students due to incomplete applications.

Financial need is not one of the criteria for the Peoria scholarship. Every Peoria college student is encouraged to apply. Please feel free to stop by the Peoria Tribal Office for other financial aid or scholarship information. It is never too early to obtain a scholarship application. You may do so by writing Education Director, Peoria Tribe, P.O. Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355; by phoning the Peoria office 1-918-540-2535 ext 10 or 1-800-259-9987 ext 10; or check it out on the Peoria Tribal website, www.peoriatribes.com.

Application deadlines are July 31 for the Fall semester and January 7 for the Spring semester. Incomplete or postage due applications will not be considered. Students who accept scholarship funds but do not complete their obligation for that semester or maintain a 2.5 GPA forfeit their eligibility for one semester.

If you know a Peoria student who has received scholastic honors or other special recognition at his or her school, please let the Education Director know. I can be reached at 1-800-259-9987, or 1-918-540-2535.

Mandie Ferguson, Education Director

The Peoria Tribal Burial Assistance Benefit

The Peoria Tribal Burial Assistance Benefit is \$10,000 per member. All Burial Assistance Applications must be completed and returned with an original certified death certificate no later than 180 days from the date of death. All deceased must be enrolled members of the Peoria Tribe. Payment will be made directly to the funeral home. Please visit with the funeral home concerning this policy. You may request a copy of the application by contacting the Tribal Enrollment Office, Donna Harp, in writing via email at dharp@peoriatribes.com, postal service, or by telephone at 918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987.

Business Committee Minutes

REGULAR MEETING MAY 5, 2015:

Chief Froman called the meeting to order. Carolyn Ritchey gave the invocation. Secretary Tonya Mathews declared a quorum with 5 members present, Al Goforth called ahead and was unable to attend. Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of April 7, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. Following discussion, motion was made and seconded to approve Capital Expenditures out of the Reserve Account for replacing carpet in the Showplace, not to exceed \$55,000.00. Motion carried unanimously. Following discussion and brief explanation by Chief Froman, motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports for March 2015. Motion carried unanimously. There was no Unfinished Business brought before the Committee. Motion was made and seconded to approve new members as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Motion carried unanimously. Upon motions made and duly seconded, one resolution was presented for consideration and approved by unanimous votes: (1) **Resolution R-05-05-15-A, "Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll"**: Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution R-05-05-15-A. Motion carried unanimously. Public comments were received by Tonya Mathews who received a donation request in the amount of fifty dollars for the Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women for both Junior and Miss Pageant's May 14-16. Following discussion, the Committee approved the standard twenty-five dollar donation. There was no call for Executive Session. Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING JUNE 2, 2015:

Chief Froman called the meeting to order. Carolyn Ritchey gave the invocation. Secretary Tonya Mathews declared a quorum with all members present. Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of May 5, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve up to \$60,000.00 from Reserve Account for Concept and Design Fee's and purchase of bid-ready drawings. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports for April 2015. Motion carried unanimously. There was no Unfinished Business brought before the Committee. Motion was made and seconded to approve new members as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Motion carried unanimously. Upon motions made and duly seconded, two resolutions were presented for consideration and approved by unanimous votes: (1) **Resolution R-06-02-15-A, "Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll"**: Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution R-06-02-15-A. Motion carried unanimously. (2) **Resolution R-06-02-15-B, "Authorization of Tribal Officials to Conduct Business with Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians"**: Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution R-06-02-15-B. Motion carried unanimously. No public comments were received. There was no call for Executive Session. Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING JULY 7, 2015:

Chief Froman called the meeting to order. Carolyn Ritchey gave the invocation. Secretary Tonya Mathews declared a quorum with 5 members present, Alan Goforth was unable to attend. Motion was made seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of June 2, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports for May 2015. Motion carried unanimously. There was no Unfinished Business brought before the Committee. Motion was made and seconded to approve new members as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Motion carried unanimously. Upon motions made and duly seconded, three resolutions were presented for consideration and approved by unanimous votes: (1) **Resolution R-07-07-15-A, "Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll"**: Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution R-07-07-15-A. Motion carried unanimously. (2) **Resolution R-07-07-15-B, "Request for Funding from Bureau of Indian Affairs"**: Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution R-07-07-15-B. Motion carried unanimously. (3) **Resolution R-07-07-15-C, "Continuation of Administration of the BIA Indian Child Welfare Program"**: Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution R-07-07-15-C. Motion carried unanimously. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to increase the Commissioners stipend from \$50.00 per month to \$100.00 per month. Motion carried with 5 votes for and 1 abstention. Public Comments were received from tribal member and Tournament Director, Annette Black. Annette announced the date of the Adams Pro Tour to be held at Peoria Ridge Golf Course August 10-15, 2015, and gave team information to Committee Members. There was no call for Executive Session. Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

The Peoria Tribe Aquatic Facility

The Peoria Tribe Aquatic Facility is now in full swing of selling fish. We have Smallmouth Bass and Largemouth Bass for sale and are currently fulfilling orders that are being placed. The hatchery currently has 5 ponds dedicated to Smallmouth Bass production and 8 ponds dedicated to Largemouth Bass production. The Hatchery is also developing the capability to raise and grow freshwater mussels including those that are endangered to one day restock the native populations that have been lost for a variety of reasons.

Peoria Tribe Aquatic Facility Price Sheet

Smallmouth Bass

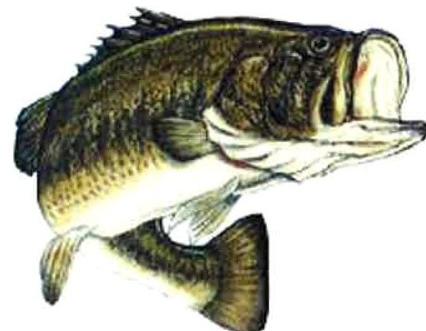
SIZE	PRICE
<3"	\$3.00 per fish min 100
3"- 4"	\$3.25 per fish min 100
5" – 8"	\$3.50 per fish min 100
9" – 12"	\$4.00 per fish min 100
>13"	\$22/lb. based on availability



Bulk prices based on availability.

Largemouth Bass

SIZE	PRICE
<3"	\$1.25 per fish min 100
3"- 4"	\$1.50 per fish min 100
5" – 8"	\$1.75 per fish min 100
9" – 12"	\$2.00 per fish min 100
>13"	\$7.50/lb. based on availability



Bulk prices based on availability.

Delivery charge within 25 miles of Facility: \$25.00

Any added mileage after 25 miles: \$25.00 + \$0.65 per mile

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We have had a very special visitor, 8 time B.A.S.S. tournament champion Edwin Evers. He came for a visit and toured our hatchery to help us promote it and get the word out that we are open for business. We have partnered with the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation and the Grand River Dam Authority to stock Grand Lake O' the Cherokees and Lake Hudson with the native strain Smallmouth that we raise in our hatchery. These fish will be released right before the B.A.S.S. Classic Championship is held on Grand Lake O' the Cherokees. This will give the Tribe great publicity for the services that we provide at the hatchery.

The Peoria Tribe Aquatic Facility will have a booth at the 2016 Bassmaster Classic Expo, March 4-6, 2016 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to showcase our facility and other projects that we have going on at the Environmental Department.

"The Bassmaster Classic provides Rigid an unparalleled opportunity to immediately connect with a large target audience. The ability to display our products in the Expo, show real world applications at the launch and connect consumers with our sponsored athletes on the world's largest stage, made the Classic one of our most successful events ever."— Dave Davis, *VP of Sales, Rigid Industries*, BASSMASTER SUPPORTING SPONSOR AND CLASSIC EXHIBITOR

Tribal Committees

Business Committee

Chief	John P. Froman	03/2018
Second Chief	Jason Dollarhide	03/2017
Treasurer	Aaron Wayne Blalock	03/2016
Secretary	Tonya Mathews	03/2019
First Councilman	Carolyn Ritchey	03/2016
Second Councilman	Craig Harper	03/2017
Third Councilman	Alan Goforth	03/2019

Grievance Committee

Lela Stand.....	2018
Annette Black.....	2017
Katy Sisco.....	2017
Hank Downum.....	2018
Mark Davey.....	2016

Election Committee

Kristen Gillman, Chairperson; Toni Potts, Secretary; Courtney McCartney, Bud Ellis

Enrollment Committee

Jenny Rampey, Jeane Wynn, & Kay Harper

Economic Development/Finance/Properties

Hank Downum

Housing/Social Services

Vacant, M. Annette Black

Education Committee

Donna Fitzgibbon, Chairperson; Alan Goforth, Secretary; Sadie Detherage

Audit Committee

Michael Lewis, Kendra Robinson, Meredith Purgason

Culture and Language Committee

Donna Fitzgibbon, Kevin Dawes

Stomp Dance Committee

Rob Blalock, Chairperson; John Froman, Rick Landers, Terry Kinder, Ruthie Jones, Donna Fitzgibbon, Karen Stand, David Tyner, Darlene Young, Jeffery "Dude" Blalock, Bill Blalock

Repatriation Committee

Jason Dollarhide, Chairperson; Michael Eddy, John Froman, Eddie Froman, Cynthia Purgason, LeAnne Reeves, Jane Hahn, Laura McCoy

Cemetery Committee

Bill Blalock, John Froman

Historical Committee

Joann Evans, Chairperson; Roberta Lindsly, Rick Landers